

**Greetings WSEA 92!**



**“Connecting with Love, Unity and Service”**

## **August 2024 Newsletter**

**Panel 74 Issue 08**

### **Concept VIII**

**The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all directors of these entities.**

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## Mission Statement

To report directly “to those they serve”; to publicize A.A. events; to be a forum for sharing and comment.

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## ~Area Elected and Appointed Reports~

### Area Delegate

Greetings Area 92,

It was so wonderful to see everyone in Spokane at the July Quarterly, Thanks again to District 2 for hosting us. I just returned from doing a report back in Spokane for all 4 districts. It's always amazing the different conversations we have even though my report is basically the same. So we have a virtual report scheduled for August 10th, at 11 am, PST. I will then be headed down to Grupo Doce in Pasco to do a report back for our linguistics districts then it will be off to Colville the following weekend on Saturday and I will finish off in Yakima on Sunday the 25th.

In September I will be headed down to Missoula for the Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend. I would really love to bring this event to Washington State East Area 92 by submitting a bid in the near future.

So there have been a few swirls going around about the Plain Language Big Book, so this is the latest update, The General Service Board reviewed correspondence received since the 74th General Service Conference pertaining to the Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous which included letters of concern, appeals, process concerns, and letters of support. Each person who submitted correspondence will receive a personal response. Related floor actions that were proposed but then forwarded to the applicable board/committee the group conscience of the GSC was also reviewed and will

also be receiving individual responses. The discussion of these matters resulted in the General Service Board affirming its desire and responsibility to implement Advisory Actions of the General Service Conference that carry by substantial unanimity and expressing agreement with the work of the Trustees Literature Committee. The Trustees Literature Committee reviewed the memo to AAWS Publishing regarding the 10 additional "minor editorial changes" which were intended by the Conference Committee on Literature to be included as part of those given as examples in the advisory action. In past conferences, when minor formatting, grammar, or style changes have been suggested, the editorial notes have been sent directly to publishing without being included in advisory actions. The memo to Publishing also included an additional 36 suggestions for which the Conference Committee had not formed a group conscience and about which they were asking the Publishing Department to use its discretion to determine whether and how to implement. After careful consideration, the TLC agreed to proceed with the Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous based on what was stated in the Advisory Action from the 74th GSC plus the first 10 "minor editorial changes" from the Publishing memo.

Plain Language Big Book will be released the first part of November 2024, the cost will be \$11.00.

The [alcoholicsanonymous.com](http://alcoholicsanonymous.com) page is still coming up as Sober.com, this was supposed to change ownership on Aug 1st, however, with discussions between the two lawyers still ongoing it's possible it won't be until next week that the actual turn over takes place. We should be getting an update soon once the information is solid.

#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

September 30th- Deadline for Proposed Agenda Items

Nov 6th-12, 2024- Preliminary Agenda for the 75th General Service Conference

Feb 17-25- expect Final Agenda List

Feb 17-21- Conference Committee Background

Feb 24-28- List of PAI's not forwarded to the 75th GSC will be released

April 27th- May 3rd 2025- 75th General Service Conference

## Area Alternate Delegate

July was a busy and rewarding month for me in AA.

I attended the Pacific Forum in Las Vegas, taking a longer route to visit family along the way. The forum was well-attended, with around 900 participants, and provided a wonderful opportunity for fellowship. I especially appreciated the chance to get to know the staff, board, and trustees of our service structure better. I am consistently impressed by their skills and dedication, and I'm confident that through group conscience, God will continue to provide everything necessary for AA to reach those who are still suffering.

I also attended the two monthly meetings for all area alt-delegates and registrars, which was a valuable learning experience. At the July quarterly, the GSR meeting was a particular highlight for me. We have outstanding GSRs in our area who are committed to supporting all trusted servants.

Lisa and I are still busy with Delegate Report Backs, so please check the [area92aa.org](http://area92aa.org) calendar for one near you. We will also be hosting an online one soon.

It's been a challenging but fulfilling month, and I'm grateful for all the opportunities I've had to serve and connect with others in AA.

Yours in Service,

Dan M.  
Area 92 Alt Delegate/Registrar Panel 74  
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509-551-6750

## Area Chairperson

### Chair Report – August 2024

We need volunteers! We have a vacant Standing Committee Chair position for Public Information. See the attached announcement for qualifications. Complete details including duties are available in the handbook. Those interested please send your resume directly to me at [chair@area92aa.org](mailto:chair@area92aa.org).

I'm pretty sure because of my position I'm supposed to be slow to form opinions on Area business but honestly, I was disappointed at our recent quarterly in Spokane when the finance committee motion got bogged down in minutia and was withdrawn. Consequently, I took a hard look at my own involvement. Specifically, whether I might have fallen short. Granted it's not the end of the world as most likely it will be presented again in October. On the job training folks!

One good result is there will likely be some kind of virtual workshop with Area past delegates and others on parliamentary procedure Area 92 style. The primary focus being to assist the general body but I'm sure everyone there including myself will benefit, and of course the Area will be better for it. Look for more on this to follow in a group email.

The Pacific Region Forum was in Las Vegas last month and it was 117 degrees the first day I was there. Oh joy!! However there was much good fellowship with our A92 peeps who were lucky enough to attend. In fact, there might even be a social media video of a couple cutting a rug at the hotel with a strong resemblance to our Delegate and Alt-Delegate, not to mention any names though LOL. Don't worry, no anonymity was broken. FYI, you can do social media that is traditions compliant and it's kind of fun sometimes.

An unexpected gift I got in LV was to meet and visit with a musician cousin of mine from New Jersey I didn't even know existed, but who was alerted to my presence there via social media. I had posted a picture with my location and was contacted by his dad who also lives in NJ. I called him and he invited us to visit his ska-punk band (I had to look that up, it's Reggae Punk) during their sound check to play at the Brooklyn Bowl there that evening. As it turns out he is 12 yrs sober and apparently so is his mother as she had asked him to ask me if I was the Bryan in the article of the July Grapevine Prison issue which I was. I was stunned. Go figure. AA makes the world a smaller place. He put us on the guest list for that night's performance, but the Forum program precluded our attendance.

Other commitments include the upcoming October Area 72 election assembly in Tacoma. They had invited up to 4 of our people to participate and we will be traveling to attend and help out with their voting process.

This should be a valuable look at their process for all of us, and also an established tradition I expect to reciprocate between our two areas going forward.

As announced, we did have a YPAA (Young People in AA) presence at the Spokane quarterly. Another positive trend that can only make us better going forward.



Dale our corrections chair is bringing his motion regarding pink can monies to the October assembly for consideration so please come ready to discuss and consider it.

The National Corrections Conference joint bid committee (A92 and A72) is closer to bringing a bid to the upcoming NCC in Charlotte NC this November. We hope to have a virtual presentation, T-shirts with pics of Washington State Penitentiary (WSP) on them, and other trinkets to hand out to hopefully improve our chances. I had requested an audience with the associate superintendent at WSP to promote a hybrid type format for meetings there and recently got an encouraging email back. I'm optimistic and excited about the prospect of moving this virtual format forward as I'm sure it's an inevitable and positive trend for corrections.

Those of us interested in attending next year's International in Vancouver BC, Canada get ready to register. September 10 is when registration opens. Note that all the housing is usually blocked for the convention meaning you can't get housing until you first register FYI. It's nice that it is drivable for most of us but many with DUI convictions will not be able to cross the border into Canada. I think there is an 800 number to call with any questions about your status on crossing the border on AA.org and under the International Conference section.

Yours in Service

Bryan B

Chair

WSEA92

chair@area92aa.org



#### Candidates for Public Information Chair

##### Qualifications:

- The time to serve and the ability to travel within WSEA 92.
- At least five years of continuous sobriety.
- Thorough understanding of AA Traditions.
- Experience in group, district, or other general service.
- Communication and presentation skills.
- Have "Basic" computer skills.

Contact: chair@area92aa.org

## Area Alternate Chairperson

Welcome to August. Let's catch up. Since we last left off in the newsletter last month. We gathered together at the July Quarterly. It was truly a great event hosted by District 2. Thank you to all the amazing volunteers and committee members that make our business meetings happen.

That is why we gather 4 times a year to conduct the business of AA which for me brought to a share by one of our DCM's that we need to be mindful of safety. Sometimes in business we get so wrapped up in it that we forget to be kind and yet compassionate when we are passionate about a motion or wording or how something is put together on a screen. So I am inviting you to ask for a pause. If we need to slow business down to make sure we understand a question, or report or give the presenter a extra moment to gather their thoughts let's do it.

Conversations have been started to arrange and schedule some workshops to help make business run smoother and more efficiently and in the same, hope we all learn something. Watch the Area website for more information. If you have a subject that you would like to learn about please reach out to an Elected and ask. We don't know if we are not asked.

I also sit on and participate in the Technology committee. This committee is probably the coolest committee I have ever been involved in. Everyone has a voice, everyone gets to use it and participate in decision making/changes. So as we heard our Newsletter share at the Quarterly meeting-go check out the area website, [area92aa.org](http://area92aa.org)

Lots of cool changes.

I am very excited about them all.

I also sit on the Finance Committee and I want to share that I was the past Treasurer and let me just say, this rotation has made some amazing changes. They have just exceeded and excelled in making Quick books work. Please take a moment to thank Rainy and Carole for doing an amazing job.

I went to my home group this morning. Sunday Morning Breakfast Group and 3 of our senior members entrusted me with \$9.95 challenge donations mind you they rounded up to an even dollar amount and another couple were paying on PayPal right before the meeting. So spread the word about the \$9.95 challenge, and see what your home group can do. My group rocks. I also host a round table for How to Host a Round Table this month it will be on Aug 21, 2024 at 6pm. Please send me an email if you would like to come and join us on Google meet. We have had great participation from District 8, District 26, District 25 are all Regular attendees.

This represents October Assembly CDA, April 25, Pre-conference assembly, January 25 Quarterly. We have had our Chair District 17 from the October 25 Election Assembly join us. We just awarded the bid for the July 25 quarterly District 10. Thank you to the hosting districts. You are amazing.

Remember if I can help your district or if you have any questions please feel free to reach out. I am available. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of.

Fran, Alcoholic Alt-Chair, Area92

## Area Treasurer

### WSEA 92 NEWSLETTER REPORT AUGUST 2024

Greetings from your Area 92 Treasurer's desk. After the Quarterly I was blessed to spend four fabulous days with my husband our two sons and our young grandsons! Happy times. Then the day after I came home I was down with COVID. That was five days ago. I tell you this in hopes that you will understand why my report is brief. I am pleased to say that \$9.95 contributions are coming in. Unfortunately we ended the month in the red again. I'll will be back to normal very soon and get flyers and fact sheets sent out. Meanwhile check out the 995 link on the Area Website at [area92aa.org](http://area92aa.org). Have a wonderful month and I will be in touch. Feel free to reach out any time: [treasurer@area92aa.org](mailto:treasurer@area92aa.org).

Remember: Individual contributions can also be sent directly to the Area either individually or on behalf of your home group. Please be sure to note your District and home group so we know the contribution is from an AA member. PayPal is available or you can mail contributions to:

Washington State East Area 92  
1314 S. Grand Blvd., Suite 2 Box 103  
Spokane, WA 99202-1174

With Love and Gratitude

Carole N  
WSEA TREASURER  
50-670-1858

**WA STATE EAST AREA 92 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
**Checking (6717), Period Ending 07/31/2024**  
**RECONCILIATION REPORT**  
Reconciled on: 08/03/2024

**SUMMARY**

	USD
Statement beginning balance .....	\$18,073.89
Checks and payments cleared .....	-8,005.09
Deposits and other credits cleared .....	8,072.98
<b>Statement ending balance .....</b>	<b>18,141.78</b>
Uncleared transactions as of 07/31/2024 .....	-1,120.53
Uncleared transactions after 07/31/2024 .....	26.62
Register balance as of 07/31/2024 .....	\$17,047.87

**TREASURER'S FINANCE REPORT**  
**JULY 2024**

Prepared by Carole N., Treasurer

**QUICKBOOKS**

<b>BEGINNING QB BALANCE: JULY 1, 2024</b>		<b>16,677.95</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
CONTRIBUTIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS AND DISTRICTS	4,215.64	
CONTRIBUTIONS CHALLENGE	250.32	
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>4,465.96</b>	
HANDBOOK CONTRIBUTIONS(--(Printing Exp. \$215.00 less Contributions \$87.24)	127.76	
AREA EVENT OVERAGE	2,092.00	
RETURN OF SEED MONEY (2024 Pre-Conference Assembly & 2024 July Quarterly)	1,300.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>7,985.72</b>	<b>7,985.72</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
ARCHIVES RENT	650.00	
NEWSLETTER	396.53	
PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM (DELEGATE)	1,118.31	
PNC (DELEGATE LODGING)	349.47	
JULY MILEAGE (Area Committee-Quarterly; Delegate Report Back Travel)	2,152.33	
LODGING	2,136.05	
MEALS (FRI.DINNER)	14.49	
COPIES/SUPPLIES/POSTAGE	601.93	
CORRECTIONS LITERATURE	268.59	
PAYPAL FEES	15.34	
REDUCTION OF HANDBOOK EXPENSE (HANDBOOK SALES)	(87.24)	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,615.80</b>	<b>7,615.80</b>
<b>ENDING QB BALANCE: JUNE 30, 2024</b>		<b>17,047.87</b>

**SAVINGS**

<b>Washington State East Area 92 RESERVE ACCOUNT BALANCE</b>	<b>2,500.92</b>
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Alt Treasurer's Report for Area Newsletter  
For August 2024

Hi, everybody.

Last month I was very busy with the Quarterly. I chaired the planning committee and was on the spot during the event. I gave the Alt Treasurer's Report and the Finance Committee Report at the Quarterly. And I presented the Finance Committee's motion to address the need for additional seed money. In the end, we withdrew the motion.

We'll take it back to the drawing board. That's what committee work is for. We need to decide precisely what words should be in the motion itself, and which should be in the background only. We'll bring it back at the January 2025 Quarterly. Nothing is urgent in AA. All voices should be heard, and opinions considered.

I appreciate Tradition 2 which says that the Group Conscience is the expression of the guidance of a loving God, our ultimate authority. Sometimes the Group Conscience runs contrary to what an individual thinks is best. I've experienced that more than once. It is my responsibility to speak my mind, but then I don't push, and I trust the process. I humbly submit to the guidance of the Ultimate Authority expressed through the Group Conscience. It's a beautiful thing, even when things go contrary to my personal preferences. I feel carried on the Flow of the Universe!

Rock on!  
Rainey

WA State East Area 92 Alcoholics Anonymous  
Contributions Report for July 2024

	Total
<b>995 Challenge</b>	<b>\$ 250.32</b>
District 02	
First Things First (Spokane)	223.26
South Hill Group	70.00
South Hill Noon Group	53.56
Women Off The Hill Book Study	50.00
<b>Total District 02</b>	<b>\$ 396.82</b>
District 03	
Cari S.	11.83
Road to Recovery	25.28
RX For Living	120.00
<b>Total District 03</b>	<b>\$ 157.11</b>
District 04	
Kennewick Nooners	120.00
Richland Fellowship	30.06
Suzanne M.	20.00
Womens Time Out Group	32.49
<b>Total District 04</b>	<b>\$ 202.55</b>
District 05	
Sisters In Recovery	48.60

Skookum Group	86.75
<b>Total District 05</b>	<b>\$ 135.35</b>
District 06	
AMAA	525.00
Selah Wake Up	100.00
<b>Total District 06</b>	<b>\$ 625.00</b>
District 07	444.50
The Noon Group	43.95
<b>Total District 07</b>	<b>\$ 488.45</b>
District 08	
Daily Reprieve II	164.42
First Things First CdA	34.00
Happy Hour Group (CdA)	126.02
Women in Emotional Sobriety	29.62
<b>Total District 08</b>	<b>\$ 354.06</b>
District 10	
Cle Elum Group	100.00
<b>Total District 10</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
District 12	
Lisa S	21.10
Native American Group	87.50
Twisp Group	90.00
<b>Total District 12</b>	<b>\$ 198.60</b>
District 13	
Liberty Lake Happy Hour	100.00
<b>Total District 13</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
District 14	
Dry River Rats	120.00
<b>Total District 14</b>	<b>\$ 120.00</b>
District 17	
Country Crossroads	30.00
Northern Lights Group	80.00
Saturday Morning Live Group	152.60
<b>Total District 17</b>	<b>\$ 262.60</b>
District 19	
Courage To Change	22.25
<b>Total District 19</b>	<b>\$ 22.25</b>
District 20	
Chance 4 Change	50.00
<b>Total District 20</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
District 21	60.00
Grupo Amigos Unidos	90.00
Grupo Nuevo Horizonte	160.00
<b>Total District 21</b>	<b>\$ 310.00</b>
District 22	
Curtis W.	15.95
Misfits AA Group	61.90
<b>Total District 22</b>	<b>\$ 77.85</b>
District 24	

Grupo 12	75.00
Grupo Alpha y Omega	20.00
Grupo Comunidad	60.00
<b>Total District 24</b>	<b>\$ 155.00</b>
District 25	110.00
Grupo 3 de enero	20.00
Grupo 30 de julio	40.00
Grupo Milagros	60.00
Grupo Sobriedad Viva	90.00
Grupo un Nuevo Camino	20.00
<b>Total District 25</b>	<b>\$ 340.00</b>
District 26	
Libby Book Study	100.00
<b>Total District 26</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
Kevin M	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,465.96</b>

**1. PayPal:** Identifying source of contributions as a member of the Fellowship – I've asked the Technology Committee if they can insert a pop-up form between the Area website and the PayPal website asking the user to confirm that they're a member of AA. The [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) website uses such a form. If the user confirms, great, they go on to the contribution page. If they say no, they get an explanation of our self-support policy. This form would generate from the Area 92 website and the user could not go past it without selecting yes, no, or cancel.

**When you contribute through the Area 92 website, you will see a plus sign next to "Add special instructions to the seller." Click on the plus sign (+) to put in your group name and city or group number so the correct group gets the credit for the contribution.** As always, when sending contributions by mail, be sure to put your group NAME and city or group number on it. We do accept contributions from non-registered groups.

Checks and money orders should be written to "WSEA 92."

Address to:  
WSEA 92  
1314 S Grand Blvd, Suite 2  
Box #103  
Spokane, WA 99202

1. Audit Committee: Audit has been mostly done. Ben needs some more information to finish.
2. Seed Money motions: The Finance Committee is working on two motions: one for Assemblies and one for Quarterlies. When Area 92 separated from Area 72, we just adopted the amounts they were using in 1995. The amounts have not been increased since the inception of Area 92!!! It's time. The motions will go through the Quarterly vetting process in July.
3. Finance Committee: The Finance Committee is complete. Visitors are always welcome. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm on Zoom. Contact me to be included in the invitation.
4. Guidelines: Guidelines are a dynamic document, updated as our methodology changes. We have How to Host Guidelines, Technology Committee Guidelines, and Finance Committee Guidelines. They are for reference only, not part of the Area 92 Handbook.
  - A. The *Alt Treasurer's Guidelines* is simply a document that tells the next Alt Treasurer what to do. What I have looks like it was probably written by Cindy H. I'm working on updating it and getting specific. Some things ought not be left to good intentions.
  - B. The *Audit Committee Guidelines* we have now come from Dolores. Finally, someone wrote down what to do and how to do it! Another benefit of having Audit Committee Guidelines is that they will give the Treasurer a clear understanding of what will be needed for the audit.
5. Contributions: I have been picking up the mail and depositing contributions weekly. Our mailbox is in a UPS store. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me by phone, text, or email. I guarantee a reply within 24 hours. Here is the Contributions report for February 2024.

Rock on!

Rainey M. 509-279-5640

[Alt-treasurer@area92aa.org](mailto:Alt-treasurer@area92aa.org)

Submittal deadline has been changed from the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to the 5<sup>th</sup> of the Month.



Please send all contributions to:

**Washington State East Area 92**  
**1314 S. Grand Blvd. Suite 2, Box #103**  
**Spokane, WA 99202-1174**  
**Or**  
**PayPal**  
**(accessed from our website Area92aa.org)**

Please include your **Group Name, Group ID Number** and **District #** on the contribution(s) to ensure that I give proper credit to the contributing groups or if this is a personal contribution, indicate **"personal"** in the memo line. Contributions can also be made on the AREA 92 website by PayPal. It is set up to generate all personal/group information. **If you use PayPal please be complete with your information.**

PLEASE add your group name and/or district to your memo line or put a note in the envelope. The next Alternate Treasurer will need this information to make their transition as smooth as possible. Thank you very much for your support.

YIS  
Rainey  
Area 92 Alt-Treasurer  
[alt-treasurer@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-treasurer@area92aa.org)  
Finance Committee Chair

## **Area Secretary**

## **Area Archives Chair**

At the July quarterly, I reached out to the DCMs, at the Friday night roundtable. I asked them to contact me if they had an on-line district business meeting and would like me to attend. I didn't give any explanation in my first email so it was suggested that I send a second one that was a little more informative with my goal: **introduce myself to your District's Archive chair or Archivist and personally invite them to check out the Area 92 Archive Committee held the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.** I am so happy to report that I have received 10 responses. **THAT'S AMAZING!!!** As Rainey M. would say, **'YOU ROCK'**. There is nothing more inspiring than **PARTICIPATION**. It fuels me with enthusiasm and excitement. The Archive Committee is updating their on-line monthly meeting invitation. We have sent a new invitation to the DCMs and Alt-DCMs on the Archive Committee and to all of those who have requested it. If I missed you, or if you did not receive an invitation and you are interested in checking out the meeting, send an email to **Michelle W** or you can reach me at 509-517-9138. The Archive Committee has updated and designed a new meeting flier, included in the newsletter and to be posted on the Area Calendar.

What's next? Another opportunity to meet and connect with Archive chairs and Archivist from Areas 58, 72, and 92 at the **2024 Regional Archives Workshop**. WSEA 92, Lisa D., our Archivist, and Richard D., DCM for District 4, are hosting the workshop that will include hands-on presentations by James, Archivist for Area 58, and Therron, his assistant. It is being held on August 24, 2024, at the First Lutheran Church, 418 N Yelm, Kennewick WA. It begins at 9 am and will finish at 4 pm. We will have a potluck lunch at noon. Please bring your favorite side, or better yet, your favorite dessert, to share with us. You can also

bring fruit, nuts, yogurt, muffins, or your favorite morning snack. I am looking forward to seeing some familiar faces. I wonder if Maryland will you be wearing **orange**? **This will be a hybrid event available on Zoom, Meeting ID 223 910 6556, Passcode 233670.**

Yours in Love and Service

Michelle W.

WSEA92 ~ Archive Chair ~ Panel 74

509-517-9138

## **Area Archivist**

Hello Everyone!

The Northwest Regional AA Archives Workshop is coming up on August 24, 2024 (flier included in Newsletter) in Kennewick, WA. This is a hybrid event via zoom. District 4 is hosting and helping us get everything ready. It is going to be a great workshop. I have been working with archivists from Area 72 and Area 58 to make sure it will be both informative and fun. Any member of Alcoholics Anonymous who is interested in preserving our history is welcome. The workshop will be a must for archivists or anyone interested in becoming an archivist to learn basics and skills from collection scope guidelines and storage to hands-on skills we learn by doing them ourselves! There will be handouts full of information to take with you.

There will also be a potluck for lunch so please bring side dishes and desserts. The main dishes will be provided which are fried chicken and District 4 will be bringing their famous pulled pork for sandwiches so you really don't want to miss that. Drinks and coffee will also be provided.

So please come for fellowship and fun!

Sincerely in Service,

Lisa D.

WSEA 92 Archivist

## **Area Corrections Chair**

Hello Area 92!!

We have been busy this past month once again. Someday I may catch you all off guard and slow down with little to report, but so far you have all been very active "Hands of AA" and keep me at task!!

On July 14th we received another Bridge request from the Puget Sound area. Here is a response I sent to some of our Members who are involved as Bridge Volunteers in our Area 92:

"Barely can I express how impressed I am with our Bridge Chairs and all of their Bridge Volunteers. To date

since January of this year we have processed fifteen Bridge requests from Members leaving our Area 92 facilities or coming into our Area from someplace else. Of these processed requests, with the help of you Volunteers, three Members have been confirmed as making it to at least their first meeting! Some

members are still awaiting release, others went outside our Area 92 which we do not always get feedback on, and a couple unfortunately have become MIA. We change lives one willing alcoholic at a time, and this 12th Step work that you are all involved with creates positive ripples in the lives of others like we will never

know. And we get to stay sober ourselves while doing it. My greatest respect and appreciation!!”

At the end of this writing, we have the privilege of having another great “Editorial Special”!! A submission of Experience, Strength, and Hope from our own Ladies Bridge Chair, Cindy C. who is instrumental in our Bridge process managing and assigning Volunteers around our Area to help other women get from behind the walls and into their new Fellowships. Make sure to check out what she has to share.

You may also recall from last month’s Newsletter that the “Keys to Corrections” column is in the middle of a two-part series on how our Bridge / Reentry / Prerelease program works. Do you remember where we left off with the inside Member; “... You wait, and you wait, and you wait. And your day of release draws nearer.” This month we look at the F-162 Form and the roles of our Volunteers. Look for this column in the pages of this month’s Newsletter!

In reviewing my calendar from July I see that the following occurred:

- Made it to another District Meeting: I attended the District 12 monthly business meeting via zoom as a guest. Much like while attending District 14’s meeting back in May, there once again where many questions regarding Pink Can funds and activity at their local correctional facility. I always enjoy attending our District’s meetings and getting to meet you all on your grounds!

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nd Monday Meeting: We held our 2nd Monday Corrections Chairs Online Meeting July 8th, with a bit less but still respectable attendance of nine. Amongst us was our Delegate Lisa G, who made her guest appearance giving positive acknowledgement towards our works in corrections and encouraged us to keep having fun while getting at it!!

- NCC Bid: July 22nd we had our National Corrections Conference Bid Committee zoom meeting. Things are moving along, and a product is coming together for us to make our presentation at this year’s NCC in Charlotte NC this November.

- That Pink Can Thing: One item of great report from July is that we had our Area 92 Quarterly. The Pink Can agenda item Proposal, which our Pink Can Chair and I put together, was presented before the Area 92 Body. You know how sometimes events lead one to putting things in motion and then they just find themselves swept up and carried off for a ride? Well, that is kind of where I am with this. I have never put forth a motion, nor do I ever “go to the mic” at our Assemblies and Quarterlies. Mostly I am a listener. So, this is all way outside my comfort level. But call to duty and passion will take us to such growing opportunities. Dave and I must have done our homework and due-diligence effectively because the District DCM’s and Area 92 Panel 74 nearly unanimously found the Proposal’s writing to be “Clear and Concise” enough to move forward to the October Area 92 Assembly as a formal “Motion”. This means that we as an Area will be given the opportunity to discuss and debate on structuring a dedicated Pink Can bank account, thus providing infrastructure for Members, Meetings, and Districts to have a central point of supporting our Correctional Facilities financially for literature needs. This is going to be a rocker! I encourage you all to make an effort to attend this Assembly whether live in Coeur d’Alene or online, and have your voice heard on this important issue.

And now,,, our “Editorial Special”, your Area 92 Corrections Committee Ladies Bridge Chair – Cindy C.!!

"My name is Cindy C, and Dale B asked me to be the woman's bridge connection coordinator. What does that mean? When a woman is being released, they have filled out a form 163, a prerelease request, to get a woman contact to help get them connected to AA. Upon release from a corrections facility. Since I took this position, I have 23 women volunteers ready for service. I send each volunteer the correction forms 162 and 163. The prerelease woman fills out the form 163. The volunteer gets the form 162 about their role as the AA member on the outside connecting to women on the inside.

We have had 4 Bridge prerelease connection requests for Area 92 being released from the Washington Correction Center for Women: two to Spokane, one to Colfax and one to Kennewick. I was able to connect to three of these women by email (Securus) and one by mail since she didn't respond to the Securus email.

They were each given AA women volunteer phone numbers to reach out to when released. As I get pre-release contact forms – and know what area they are going to then I work on getting volunteers, building a volunteer list. This has been a great way to be of service at the Area level.  
Cindy C."

Please, reach out and bug me; [corrections@area92aa.org](mailto:corrections@area92aa.org)  
Dale B. Corrections Chair / Area 92 / Panel 74

## **Area CPC Chair**

Hola. A few of us were in the proposed agenda item (PAI) workshop. Sharing ideas in a group setting for a group conscience, asking how will this help an alcoholic, and remembering to slow down in the process were a few notes we acquired. This gave us needed information to move forward with an idea about our CPC Workbook.

There are template letters to some professionals while none to court magistrates and judges. Committee members in our monthly CPC meeting discussed this and chose to work on getting a new template letter added to our workbook. Our 12th concept warranty 4 says That all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and whenever possible, by substantial unanimity. So this change in conference approved literature is something we thought important enough to embark on. And it teaches us how to write and submit a PAI even if it doesn't get to the conference floor, ha.

District news: D9's booth was a great success. I want to say thank-you for those carrying the message; our basic service and main reason for our existence. I am continuing on my embarkment to cold call judges and court magistrates by sending out a copy of our newsletter to professionals; "About A.A." letting them know it's free and digitally accessible on their time.

In Love and Service,

Lorri, [cpc@area92aa.org](mailto:cpc@area92aa.org).....monthly meeting first Thursday of every month via google meet.....I have a newer model computer now so no more freezing up on my end!

## Area Grapevine and Literature Chair

Conference approved or not? See SMF-29 and I'll see you in Libby, Saturday, Sep 21, 2024 to get some answers.

Ricky L.

literature@area92aa.org

## Area Newsletter Editor

Saturday, September 21 in Libby, Montana we're gonna run the town! Well, wait, I forgot. Our grandstanding days are behind us. But we can run some questions, thoughts and ideas - together at Area 92's Standing Committee Workshop! See, we're going to go into break out rooms and break down the notion of these pamphlets A.A. is obsessed with. You know. Those tri-fold or oblong booklets that can save a life. Redirect our thinking. Open the door of our minds to a new perspective-for living. A new freedom. A new happiness. Join us in Libby if you want to know what you want to know or didn't know you wanted to know. At SCW's we get to take a deep dive in topics of all sorts of topics. Learning how to serve our professional communities. Those behind the walls. Unhoused. Your neighbors. Family. Friends. Serve our members by finding out what A.A. recommends, the history, and your experiences all of which make for the fruition of our promises in our lives and to share with the still suffering. We have A.A., how much better does it get?!

Newsletter's breakout room will be sharing conversations on anonymity and pamphlets P-35, P-40 and P-47, plus a tad of Tradition 11 with a few samples of CPC's sample letters from their workbook.

"Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities." Let's have an experience with this, shall we? See you there!

Welcome to our new electronic subscribers!! Woot! Woot! Juan C. DCM- D21, Catherine M., Damon P., Andrew, Kristine, "Unique", Ash, and "Aragon". Those who need the accessibility of a hard copy...the three of you in District 23, it's our pleasure. And grateful for our Hispanic districts DCM reports. Thanks Virginia. Contact me at [newsletter@area92aa.org](mailto:newsletter@area92aa.org) to sign up for your electronic copy of our Area 92 newsletter.

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Box 459, a publication from GSO is available to us too! Simply subscribe aa.org Click menu/resources/newsletter.(or just click "News" on your Meeting Guide App!)

Stay informed. Keep coming back.

Jacqueline C

Area 92 Newsletter Editor- P74

## Area Public Information Chair

Candidates for Public Information Chair

Qualifications:

- The time to serve and the ability to travel within WSEA 92.
- At least five years of continuous sobriety.
- Thorough understanding of AA Traditions.
- Experience in group, district, or other general service.
- Communication and presentation skills.
- Have "Basic" computer skills.

Contact: [chair@area92aa.org](mailto:chair@area92aa.org)

## Area Technology Chair

Hi everyone,

If you haven't had a chance to attend one of Lisa's Delegate reports yet, there is an online one coming up. Saturday August 10th from 11am to 2pm PDT. On our calendar here [https://area92aa.org/event/virtual-delegate-report-back/?instance\\_id=2065](https://area92aa.org/event/virtual-delegate-report-back/?instance_id=2065) The website is also updated with links to contribute to the \$9.95 challenge from our Finance Committee.

As always, if you are having difficulties with your area Gmail account or any Google Workspace tools, we are here to help.

The Technology Committee meets every other Thursday. August 8, August 22 and September 5th Send an email to [support@area99aa.org](mailto:support@area99aa.org) for an invite. We welcome anyone who wants to participate, and you don't need to be a Tech Committee member to ask questions or be of service.

Please contact me [technology@area92aa.org](mailto:technology@area92aa.org) or the whole Technology Committee at [techcommittee@area92aa.org](mailto:techcommittee@area92aa.org) with any concerns, questions, etc.

YIS

Dave G

WSEA92 Technology Committee Chair

## Area Treatment Chair

On aa.org you can find and print one (only) A.A. in Treatment Settings, Pamphlet P-27. It's 24 pages of information GSO approved. It says, "Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics" -Alcoholics Anonymous, page 89

Eddie G.

Treatment Chair

[treatment@area92aa.org](mailto:treatment@area92aa.org)

## Area Translation Chair

Hello everyone! It is so hot here in the Tri Cities! How is it where you are?

In July I was at the Standing Committee meeting with the other Committee Chairs. I also attended the July Quarterly. It was a very busy time. Linguistic Districts 21, 24 and 25 were all there! There were 8 of us! I attended District 24's AA 12 Traditions Workshop at Grupo Villanueva. It was a great! I will have the privilege of interpreting for Allen D. at Grupo 30 de Julio's Group anniversary in Yakima on August 3rd.

Now, looking forward to seeing Lisa G. our Delegate on August 18th here at District 24. Grupo 12 at 2pm. She will share her Conference report.

On my mind also is the Spanish version of our Area 92 Handbook. Looking for options available to translate it and some volunteers to walk along in that journey together.

Thanks everyone for your service!

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Virginia R.  
Translation Panel 74

## Area Registrar

*Incoming GSRS Get Your Group Connected!*

*Is your Group Information up to date?? Please take five minutes to complete this form: <https://forms.gle/QpmDbGzhxzYzYJSP8> and take advantage of GSO services: GSR Kit, Box 459, (quarterly news and notes from GSO), contribution reports, important announcements, and more.*

Dan M. - WSEA 92 Alternate Delegate/Registrar Panel 74  
[alt-delegat@area92aa.org](mailto:alt-delegat@area92aa.org)

## Pacific Northwest Conference 2024 Chair

My heart is so full of gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to be able to serve you by chairing the PNC for Area 92 in 2024. The past eight months have been exciting and challenging. Area 92 members have stepped up to help put this conference on with little to no asking as many came to me before being asked wanting to serve.

Concept IX essay states, "No matter how carefully we design our service structure of principles and relationships, no matter how well we apportion authority and responsibility, the operating results of our structure can be no better than the personal performance of those who must man it and make it work." That is exactly what we have witnessed this weekend.

As for being the chairperson, I can say you have made me look good. Thank you. Therefore, I hope in turn I have given you all the credit you deserve and have earned. We could not have pulled this off without every one of you and your service. Again, Thank you.

I would like to close with the: The last two paragraphs on page 164 of Alcoholics Anonymous, A Vision for You, .. "We realize we know only a little. God will constantly disclose more to you and to us. Ask Him in your morning meditation what you can do each day for the man who is still sick. The answers will come if your own house is in order. But obviously you cannot

transmit something you haven't got. See to it that your relationship with Him is right, and great events will come to pass for you and countless others. This is the Great Fact for us.

Abandon yourself to God as you understand God. Admit your faults to Him and to your fellows. Clear away the wreckage of your past. Give freely of what you find and join us. We shall be with you in the Fellowship of the Spirit, and you will surely meet some of us as you trudge the Road of Happy Destiny.

May God bless you and keep you - until then".

I can see AA service will be in good hands in the future. My future I hope is to continue pass on the experience, strength and hope that you all have given me. God Bless you all.

Diana M.

Area 92 PNC 2024 Chairperson

## **October Inventory Assembly 2024 Chair**

WSEA 92! We think we are ready, but I know how that works! There is still time for everything to go wrong. Registration is set up. The treasurer is waiting to count money before they can develop. . Hospitality has goodies and coffee, lots of conversation. Signage is ready. That brings us to Ben. He has his team ready to go on the Friday night panels. I did the walk through with Dan and Fran, I believe we got all the answers we needed. I have the privilege of working with other ladies and Tom, most have done quarterlies or assemblies before. So we are looking for glitches before they can develop.

Fliers are in the mailboxes. You will notice the dates have changed to the last weekend of October twenty fifth, twenty sixth and twenty seventh. Our first venue fell through, so we had to do some scrambling. The prices are a lot higher, but it is a great place for an assembly.

I hope you will come for the fellowship and stay for the business.

Paula T.

Area 92 October Assembly Chair 2024

## **District and DCM Reports**

### **District 2**

District 3

Hello all from District 3. Hope you are all having a great summer. Things have been busy over here. We welcomed Lisa G. to Spokane on 8/04 to give us her report back from the General Service Conference. Thanks to all the Spokane Districts, especially District 2 for all the work putting the event together, and thank you Lisa for coming and sharing about the outcomes from the Conference.



Our District has several trusted servants doing amazing work! We boast thriving Home Groups creating fellowship and service opportunities. We are going to partner with Road to Recovery in October to host another class, it will be a Sponsorship School. Spokypaa had a table set up at the Quarterly in July which was well visited. We have chairs working hard to provide AA meetings to people in institutions, our newest meeting will be brought to the Juvenile Detention Center which is so exciting! I am so grateful for all the people who show up to keep AA going and am especially grateful to be a part of a wonderful district who shows up and provides opportunities for the still suffering alcoholic to find a common solution!

## **District 4**

Hi Area 92,

We had an informative time at the July Quarterly in Spokane. Thank you to District 2 for hosting the event—great food and facility. Thank you to the Area Committee for passing along the inspiring reports. We hope to schedule a Communication with the Professional Community CPC workshop in the near future. Thank you Lorri. Like other Area Committee members we looked at Robert's Rules of Order to better serve the Area business needs. We found the AA Service Manual had some good information and experience in Appendices W. The Conference follows Robert's Rules but has adopted some exceptions to better serve the fellowship. These exceptions and other guidance to help the area committee do business can be found in the appendix.

Hilltoppers Speaker meeting and potluck

Pig boys picnic Sept 7th Chiawana Park 11-4

Big Book Weekend Sept 27-29 Richland Wa

2024 Regional Archives Workshop and Potluck August 24th 9am - 4pm Kennewick a wealth of knowledge from Area 58 Oregon and Area 72 Western Washington. Mick O will be cooking his famous "pulled pork" for sandwiches. Please bring a side to share.

YIS,

Rich DeVine

DCM, District 4

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## **District 5, District 6**

### **District 7**

Greetings from District 7, the beautiful LC Valley and surrounding communities!

It was great seeing everyone at the July Quarterly! Thank you to the District 2 host committee for putting on a wonderful event. We appreciate all the hard work that goes into making our Area 92 business events fun and successful!

We just have a few things going on in District 7 this month. The first is the ongoing monthly meetings of our Ad-Hoc Handbook Review committee. The committee is meeting on the second Saturday of each month at 10:30 AM (prior to our monthly D7 business meetings) to review and recommend changes to our current District 7 Guidelines. This hasn't been done in several years and is much needed to keep our handbook current and relevant.

The other item of note is the annual Bovill campout. This campout is held on Labor Day weekend and has been going for 29 years! It's a great way to close out the summer camping season and we're super excited to have current District 9 DCM Ben H. from Walla Walla as our Saturday night speaker. Come join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship, or just come for the day if camping is not your thing! Please see the end of this newsletter or the Area 92 website calendar for a copy of the flyer.

Yours in Service,

Jim B. DCM, District 7, Area 92, Panel 74

### **District 8**

Hello District 8,

The October Assembly Host Committee, Chaired by Paula T., is making great progress despite a setback. We had to get a new venue because the Red Lion by the river in Post Falls was sold. We will now be hosting the October Assembly at the Best Western CDA Inn on October 25, 26, and 27, 2024. We are asking for coffee contributions if your home group would like to contribute. Paula T will have a report for us at the next District meeting.

I attended the July Quarterly and even though we had to pass the hat to cover the costs, it was a good meeting. There were 3 motions. The first motion from the Finance Committee was to increase the Quarterly and Assembly seed money fund on a case-by-case basis. If the motion were passed, there would be a form that the Host Committee could complete and submit to the Finance Team requesting an increase. After a lot of discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Evidently the Finance Team will make

some changes and try again later.

The second motion was a housekeeping item. There was a sentence from the old Area 92 Handbook that was mistakenly added to the new Handbook that needed to be deleted, and it passed.

The third and final motion is for Area 92 to start a new bank account for pink Can only. I will have copies of this motion at the next District meeting.

Speaking of money, I attended the Finance Team meeting on Friday night. The Area is struggling to stay afloat financially. They are covering the bills, barely, and are in deficit spending month to month. The Finance Team rolled out the 2024, \$9.95 challenge. If each A.A. member within Area 92 contributes \$9.95 the Area would be fully self-supporting and no longer using deficit spending. I took up the challenge and made the \$9.95 contribution, hoping to lead by example and encourage all members of District 8 to make this one-time contribution.

On a similar topic, according to the Area 92 Handbook, Corrections has unlimited access to Literature for local jails and prisons. They also have access to 25 Grapevine and 25 La Vina subscriptions annually to be sent to jails and prisons within Area 92. While I think the Area 9 Pink Can account is a good idea, I think that the focus must be on the Area 92 General Fund becoming solvent first. My concern is that money will be sent to the Pink Can fund and that the General Fund will see a reduction in contributions. This is something to ponder and discuss during the October Assembly. The one thing I have noticed is that we do have great public speakers at Assemblies and Quarterlies. These speakers, who have excellent oratorical skills tend to be past or current Chairs or Delegates that we tend to look up, or something along those lines. These great public speakers become "Influencers" and often sway the body to their point of view. I am not saying that this is right or wrong, good or bad, I am just pointing it out so that you can process, pray, and work within your home group toward a well-informed group conscience.

In closing, I want to thank the District for your continued support. We are averaging 30 members monthly at the District 8 GSR meeting which is really good. Additionally, the "Meeting Before the Meeting" is well attended and discusses solutions to common problems as they arise. So, thank you!

Yours in service,

David R DCM D8

## **District 9, District 10, District 11**

### **District 12**

I was very grateful to see a few of our GSR's at the July Quarterly. It was a productive gathering and always so nice to see everyone.

We have added an Ad Hoc Committee to review our financial history and create a functioning budget. We are also looking at increasing our prudent reserve with this. Once this is complete, we will finish updating the Handbook which has also been completely reviewed and updated by that Ad Hoc committee. We have been busy!

I have been able to get to some of our meetings and at their business meetings to bring the "district" to them, and offer support to their GSR and group. Each one has been different and speaks to our 4th tradition of autonomy.

Methow Valley group is holding a speaker and potluck every last Friday of the month and are having great turnouts.

Recovery in the Valley will be having their 5th Friday speakers (Al-Anon and AA) and potluck on August 30th.

Our PI Chair was able to participate in another Health Fair put on by the Women's Support Center in Omak with a good turnout of about 100 people hitting the booth. They were able to make some good contacts.

We snuck in a District picnic in conjunction with our August meeting! It will be held at the Twisp Park on August 4th. All are welcome.

We still need to fill open positions of Secretary, Archives Chair and Treatment Chair.

Birthdays for August:

Recovery in the Valley- Amy B 2 yrs, Tanya 3 yrs, Lisa O 7 yrs and Carolyn B 6 yrs

That's about it for this month.

In gratitude for being of service.

Lisa S.

DCM D12 Yours in service,

### **District 13**

Hello from Spokane Valley,

Wow, summer is flying by yet District 13 is going to take advantage of the layovers. We enjoyed the conversations and sharing at the quarterly and are excited to share what we learned and heard with our district.

Group meetings have been slightly lighter in numbers however, we know that that just comes with summertime, we're excited to get back to packed houses this fall.

As mentioned at the quarterly, we will be working on revising our District 13 handbook and getting to all the meetings in our district.

We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and thank you for allowing us to be of service.

District 13 Members

## **District 14, District 15,**

## **District 16**

Greetings to everyone in Area 92 from all of us in District 16! There are 6 groups that make up District 16. 1 in Benton City, 1 in Prosser, 1 in Grandview, 2 in Sunnyside and 1 Mattawa. Our District meets monthly on the last Sunday of the month 10 am to 12pm at 50 Bethany Rd., Grandview, WA. 98930. All the groups continue to meet at their regular meeting schedules

In the last few months, we have been visiting the groups to encourage and find out how we can better serve them. We are seeing results in that on July 31 st , we are invited by the Mattawa group to talk about the Topic: Third Tradition. This is all for now. My best wishes.

Felices 24 Horas!

Benjamin M.

DCM District 16

## **District 17, District 18, District 19, District 20, District 21, District 22**

## **District 23**

Our trusted servant Maureen H sent me the following:

Inchelium sober powwow/camp out. I attended thurs-sunday. Big sober fun! No sweat lodges due to Keller fire closeby ( the Colville rez closed down whole area monday, and our camp sunday at noon), free meals and frybread night,, AA NA meetings, dress up in regalia w/dancing\_ raffles, giveaway, kids games, etc. I brought my dog and had a nice campsite on the river. Was @ Native Eagle spirit camp right by Gifford ferry. Happens every summer. Well worth the time to attend!

The dates included the last week of July 2024.

Anyone from district 23 may post to our newsletter. Please submit to Lisa no later than the 3rd of each month.

Our AA Birthday Potluck was held July 27th at 5pm at Chelan Falls Park. We had a great group attend with magnificent food including SherylAnns famous salad bar! We celebrated Rosas 8 month

and Chucks 1 year birthday. We had a total of 123 years of sobriety for our countdown!

The owners of the Applecup Restaurant stopped by at our Potluck . Applecup Restaurant will have to be totally rebuilt and there is no timeline available. The Applecup folks have always supported sobriety and working with others in our local community. We applaud them and take great pleasure in announcing they are open from 7am to 1pm daily at a new location: for takeout only.

Applecup Restaurant Community Center Lake Chelan, address 103 Bighorn Way, Chelan, WA 98816

Monday Noon -1 Friends of Bill

NEW LOCATION:

Chelan Christian Church

210 E Wapato Ave. Chelan, WA

LAST POTLUCK AT THE RIVER AUGUST 31, 2024 4:30 Chelan Falls Park

Sept - April Birthday Potlucks to be held at St Andrews Church at 4:30 pm .

Bring a dish to share

All are welcome!

Questions? Call Sherylann 509 682-1817

#### UPCOMING BUSINESS MEETINGS

Has been permanently changed to the 1st Monday of each month!

August 5th 5pm, ("Sept to be announced")

St Andrew's Episcopal Church Chelan WA

All trusted servants should attend!

Questions or Suggestions? Call Lisa at 509 683 2339

Proud to be of service,

Lisa B

Alt-DCM District 23

## District 24

Greetings everyone in Area 92 from all of us in District 24! Hope you are all well and staying cool! As a district we are visiting the groups and continue to meet every last Sunday of the month. At the July Quarterly in Spokane, three GSRs were able to attend as well as our District Treasurer. 5 members total from the 8 groups were present. They brought back lots of information to share with the groups.

We held an AA 12 Traditions Workshop at Grupo Villanueva and it was a big success! There was great participation from all of the GSRs. On August 18th our Delegate Lisa G will be sharing her Conference Report at Grupo 12 at 2pm. The District 24 membership looks forward to seeing her and hearing her report. This is all for now. Thank you!

Ramiro R.

DCM District 24

## **District 25**

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In May my District asks why area registration costs \$50 Domares,  
We continue visiting the District 25 Groups.  
Two visits per month and one traditions workshop per month, rotating in each group.  
Report from comrade Javier to send speakers to the Hispanic national convention in September 2024 in San Francisco California.  
Comrade José Luis from the Sobriedad Viva Group, celebrates his 18th anniversary on August 27, 2024.  
Grupo 30 de Julio celebrates its 34th anniversary Saturday 3-2024  
Location 5315 Tieton Dr Yakima wa. 98908.  
Service table was formed for the Quarterly on January 17-18, 2024 at Selah wa Civic center.

DCM District 25  
Miguel A.

## **District 26**

Kim O.,  
Greetings Area 92!  
I recently attended the Regional Forum in Las Vegas with Lisa G. What an amazing event!  
It was nice to meet the people and to put faces with the names of those who work for GSO.  
And to get caught up on what they are doing! If you have never been to one I highly recommend it!  
I also attended the Quarterly in Coeur d'Alene Idaho in July. It seems there's never a dull moment at the Quarterlies.  
My District has been busy making plans for the S.C.W. on September 21st. Hope to most of you there!  
We are also busy planning the April 2025 Pre-Conference Assembly. We will start meeting every other week to start getting things finalized.  
We are hosting the Sober Float on September 7th, as well as the Blue Moon Campout on August 16-18 at Timberlane Campground here in Libby. It would be great to see some of you at either one or both of these events!

Yours in Service,  
Kim O. DCM  
District 26

# **Member Submissions & Featured Articles**

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## **WSEA 92 Area Inventory 2024**

*Facilitator: Mark S.*

*Contact Information: Email: [maesimon@msn.com](mailto:maesimon@msn.com)*

*Phone/Text: 509-391-9123*

*My name is Mark and I'm an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is 10/26/1985. My service position is Oregon Area 58, Panel 48 Past-Delegate.*

*While attending the Pacific Northwest Conference a few of us past delegates were discussing the upcoming Area 92 Inventory. The discussion centered around whether we should use an outside facilitator as the Home Group and the District Inventory suggest. We usually use an Area 92 Past-Delegate. It was pointed out that I'm an Oregon Area 58 Past-Delegate who has lived and attended Area 92 Assemblies for the past 19 years and I could be both. While this may be a little lame, I was chosen to facilitate the 2024 inventory.*

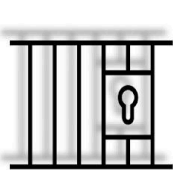
*From our Area 92 Handbook: Section 3.0, item h, WSEA 92 will allow two hours for an Area Inventory at non-election October Assemblies. The inventory will be chaired by a Past-Delegate who will be funded by the Area. The inventory will contain three to five questions coming from any or all of the following: Home Groups, GSR Round table meetings, DCM Round table meetings, or from the Area Committee. A follow-up report will be given at the following April Pre-Conference Assembly.*

*Keeping with tradition, I will choose a committee of Past-Delegates and we will discuss all of the submitted suggestions and from those suggestions, we will pick 3 to 5 topics based on the anticipated discussion within the 2-hour time restraint. I will submit this report to the upcoming Area Newsletter and make a final report after the October Assembly and submit that report to the Area Newsletter. I will submit that report orally at the April Pre-Conference Assembly. In AA an inventory is a process that involves taking stock of our strengths, weaknesses, values, goals and possibly our failures. Don't be afraid to critique our work. To quote Bill W. from our publication, "Our Great Responsibility," speaking at the 8th General Service Conference, "I think that this Conference of ours be-speaks more promise and more progress for AA than any that have gone before. It holds promise and has been filled with progress because it has had trouble. And it has converted that trouble into an asset, into some growth and into a great promise." He goes on to state, "AA was born out of trouble! "In days of old, people would hold an egg up to the light of a candle to see if the egg was "Good or Bad." I think that the light we hold our ideas or actions up to is and always should be our Twelfth Step. "Will this aid our groups in carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers?"*

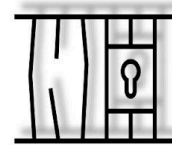
*Thank you for the opportunity to serve this body*

*Yours in service, Mark*





# Keys to Corrections



A Column to Inform and Encourage

Welcome to our third installment of what we hope to be a long running column of informative, encouraging, and inspirational topics from the wonderful world of service in AA Corrections. We welcome you to the... **Keys to Corrections!**

Our headlining topic this month is what's often referred to as our **"Bridge"** program. This is the second of two installments on this life changing program. The two-part series is halved at an inherent line between the inside AA Member, and the outside AA Member. And trust me, it is a life changing program for both parties. Our focus for this issue will be on our outside Member, our Fellows in the meeting rooms, business meetings, potlucks, campouts, dances, Assemblies, workshops,,, activities all around our Area 92.

Let us review a couple of very key points mentioned in our first half, some important items to remember and understand when discussing our AA **"Bridge"** program...

Our M45i Corrections Workbook introduces this program with a straight forward mission statement outlining the heart of the program, it states:

"Past experience has shown that attending an A.A. meeting on the outside on the day of release from prison is one of the most effective tools in making a sober transition and maintaining continued sobriety in the free world. It is strongly recommended that anyone in custody who is an A.A. member have an A.A. contact on the outside (preferably with at least one year's sobriety and of the same sex) who contacts and arranges to meet him or her on the day of release to help in "Bridging the Gap" between the institution and A.A. on the outside.

This section of the workbook deals with guidelines for A.A. members who want to participate in this type of service, sometimes referred to as "Prerelease" programs and sometimes as "Bridging the Gap" programs."

As you can see here even in our Workbook this program has an ambiguous name. This is due mainly in part to the Corrections Committee being a part of AA's original *"Hospitals and Institutions"* Committee or **"H&I"**. Several years ago, this all changed:

"In 1977, the General Service Conference recommended that the Institutions Committee be dissolved and two new committees—one dealing with Corrections, and one with Treatment Facilities—be formed. The 1983 General Service Conference recommended that a Corrections Workbook be developed for carrying the A.A. message into correctional facilities."

Historically in the H&I days the efforts to get folks to an AA meeting as soon as possible from release of any form of institution was referred to as: **"Bridging the Gap"**. After the spit up of H&I it was attempted to have these similar programs referred to as **"Bridging the Gap"** for treatment facility release, and **"Bridge"** for correctional facility release. This has been a source of confusion ever since. But our literature and brochures have tried to maintain their distinction. In recent times efforts have been enacted in what I see as an attempt to separate their names even further. By embracing terminology more in line with governing bodies of the institutions, we now have the referred to term of **"Prerelease"**. Currently there is even discussion of embracing a newer terminology of **"Reentry"**. Has there ever been a place where our Tradition 9's claim that "A.A., as such, ought never be organized..." has ever been more applicable?!! Rest assured, the heart and passion of our efforts at the mission of these programs is little hampered by such nuances, but when in conversation, let it be a heads up that you may hear its reference by different names, but the inference is understood. Currently our M45i Workbook, F-163, and F-162 forms/brochures are titled as **"Prerelease"** programs. Personally, I try hard to at least be consistent with the term **"Bridge"**, somehow it has an essence of warmth to it for me.

Do you remember in our first half where we left the inside AA Member; *“... You wait, and you wait, and you wait. And your day of release draws nearer.”*

What is it that the inside AA Member is waiting for? **CONTACT!!** Today we have technology on our side. It used to take weeks for a hand written letter to reach the inside AA Member, then for them to write back, then for the two parties to establish a plan to actually meet up and get to that first AA meeting. Now we are receiving the inside AA Members **F-163** request form at the mail box and sometimes have literally been able to be in direct contact with them within minutes. We simply send them an email. What kind of impact does this have? Let me share some of the responses I have received.

*“I appreciate what you guys do I am still involved with my recovery!”*

*“Thank you. I am surprised by your email and not an actual letter (paper). But this is cool too!”*

*“Wow, really appreciate hearing from you. I was doing a 5<sup>th</sup> step, but I changed locations and lost contact with my group.”*

*“God working in my life, I sincerely appreciate you reaching out to me it means a lot I am coming up on 16 months clean!”*

*“Thank you, sir, for reaching out to me! I cannot give you a definite answer right now about my address because I am waiting to see the parole board. I Hope to hear back from you in regard to this letter. God, bless you have a good night.”*

So, how does one become a Bridge Volunteer. One can simply contact the Corrections Committee via email: [corrections@area92aa.org](mailto:corrections@area92aa.org) . Sometimes you may come across a meeting that is circulating a volunteer sign-up form that gets sent to the Bridge Volunteer Coordinator, or you may come across the **F-162** Form for the Outside AA Member. Hopefully it will have the Area's Corrections mailing address in the listed box for you to mail the completed form back to. Remember, if you go to [area92aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/f-162\\_en\\_0223.pdf](https://area92aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/f-162_en_0223.pdf) you can print forms that have that address already on them.

What exactly does a Bridge Volunteer do? The **F-162** form describes the role well. The process described goes pretty much like this; make contact (mail or email), keep in correspondence until they are released, make arrangements to get to that first meeting as soon as possible (within 24-48hrs is recommended), like any 12 Step call grab a buddy and get the new Member to a good 12 Step based meeting, introduce them, get them some phone numbers, talk about a Home Group, get them looking for a Sponsor, help them get some literature, suggest as many meetings as possible until these things are accomplished. The **F-162** form suggests at this point; *“Your job is finished after a sponsor has been found, or when you and the newly released member feel that the member is secure enough for you to move on.”*

There are of course things Volunteers are suggested not to do, like; don't go alone for that first in-person contact, don't open your home or lend money, don't use your address for correspondence but use the Area Corrections address instead. Your Volunteer Coordinator will offer a brief orientation to get you started.

It is a rewarding experience to be sitting in a meeting hearing a Member share how they just got their driver's license and drove their own car to the meeting. A Member who but a year ago you had a hand in helping across a Bridge that spans a deep chasm of fear and uncertainty from a contained community behind the walls to a loving AA Fellowship with a design for living free. Join us.

Check out the **F-162** today on our Area 92 website at:

[Corrections – Area 92 Alcoholics Anonymous \(area92aa.org\)](https://area92aa.org)

Or

[A.A. Corrections Prerelease Contact Information - Outside | Alcoholics Anonymous \(aa.org\)](https://aa.org)

Or

With the **F-162** within this Area 92 Newsletter





**PITCH-AA-TENT**

DISTRICT 15



# **AUGUST 15TH-18TH 2024**

Find meetings, fellowship,  
swimming, and other outdoor  
activities all in one recovery  
filled weekend!

Families welcome.  
Please leash all dogs.

3553 Rockcut Road,  
Kettle Falls, WA 99141



**\$20 per night**

Dry Camping



**\$25 per night**

Limited RV spots available  
Power/water ONLY  
First come/First serve



**\$10 Saturday Dinner**

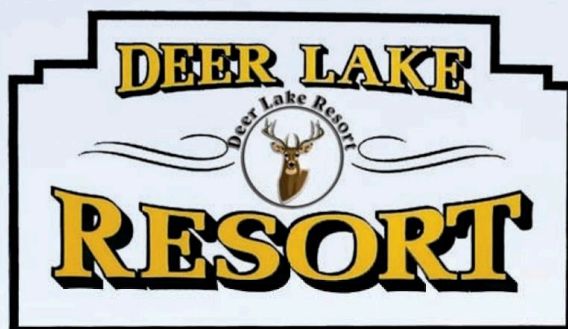
\$25 per family  
Hamburgers and hotdogs provided  
Bring a side dish to share  
Dinner at 5:00 pm  
Speaker meeting at 6:00 pm

**206-819-6252**

Contact Bill V.

# Spokane's Annual

## Recovery Retreat 2024



August 15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>

!!! Go Online and Reserve Your Spot NOW !!!

Deer Lake Resort at - <https://deerlakeresort.com>

Enter Dates: Aug 15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> and Check Availability.

To Make Reservations: Call Jamie's Cell | 509-370-5886

Turn Right off of Hwy 395 on North Deer Lake Road.

### Hosted by Attitude Adjustment

Cabins | House Rentals | RVs | Showers | Boat Slips | Country Store

!!! TENT CAMPING HAS BEEN CANCELED !!!

Forest Cabins 1, 3, 4, 5 & 6 | 3 Nights \$435.00 | Sleeps 4 \$108.75 ea per day + Tax.

Rose Bud 3 Nights \$480.00 | Sleeps 3 \$160.00 ea per day + Tax.

Loft Cabins | 3 Nights \$465.00 | Sleeps up to 4 \$155.00 ea per day + Tax.

RV: 3 Nights \$165.00 | \$55.00 per day + Tax.

!!! Deer Lake needs full payment with registration !!!

A.A. Mtg will be held Friday night at 6 pm

For more information contact: Camp-Out Chair Don B. (509) 838-1120



# BLUE MOON CAMPOUT



## WHEN

**August 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> 2024**

## WHERE

**Timberlane Campground**

**6.6 miles up Pipe Creek Road off Hwy 37 Libby, Montana**

**\$15.00 for the whole weekend**

**Saturday Night Potluck**

**Sunday Morning Breakfast**

**Hosted by District 26**

**?? Contact Kim O. 406-291-2328**

**50/50  
RAFFLE**

**FIRESIDE  
MEETINGS  
ALL  
WEEKEND**

**Hot August Nights  
“Ignite the Nites” Car  
Show happening in  
Libby**

**Horseshoe Pits  
Hiking  
Fishing  
Boating**

**Lots of camp spots**

**Bring the whole  
family!**

**Pets Welcome**



Hosting

AREA 72 AND AREA 58

# 2024 REGIONAL ARCHIVES WORKSHOP

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## Potluck



MAIN DISH AND DRINKS/COFFEE WILL BE PROVIDED. PLEASE BRING SIDES, SALADS, FRUITS, VEGES, DESERTS OR CHIPS

- ❖ **WHERE:** First Lutheran Church of Kennewick  
418 N. Yelm, Kennewick, WA 99336
- ❖ **WHEN:** SATURDAY – AUGUST 24, 2024
- ❖ **TIME:** 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM
- ❖ **LUNCH** 12:00 TO 1:00
- ❖ **ZOOM ADDRESS:** 223-910-6556
- ❖ **PASSWORD** 233670

***Presentation & on hands learning from James and Theron skilled in AA Archives, preservation and storage.***

***ANY AA MEMBER INTERESTED IN PRESERVING AA HISTORY ARE WELCOME***

***HYBRID MEETING BUT COME IN PERSON FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!***

**INFO:** Lisa D. (509) 216-9366 WSEA 92 Archivist



AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup> @ 6:30  
P.M.

## ARCHIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MICHELLE W. 509.517.9138  
[Archives-Chair@area92aa.org](mailto:Archives-Chair@area92aa.org)

## NEW ARCHIVE COMMITTEE MEETING INVITE

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Google Meets

[meet.google.com/  
bxt-wais-axq](https://meet.google.com/bxt-wais-axq)

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Phone Link

+1 518-490-9410 PIN:  
514 375 786#

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We meet the 4<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday of each  
month at 6:30 pm



Meetings at 9 am and 7 pm daily

# FELLOWSHIP

*And Fun*

Speaker: Ben H.- Walla Walla, WA



## BOVILL'S ANNUAL CAMPOUT

**AUG. 30TH-SEPT. 2ND, 2024**

Baseball Park  
Bovill, ID.  
East Fork Rd.



**\$5.00 a night**  
Covers Park Costs



**Bring your ATV**  
Lots of Trails



**Swimming, Hiking, & Fishing**



**Potluck**  
**Saturday**  
**@ 5:30**

Hamburgers and Hotdogs provided

**Bring your favorite dish to share!!**



**50/50 & Raffle**

**(208) 827-0521**  
Cari Myers



# Spokane Districts Potluck & Speaker Meeting



At the Alano Club at 1700 W. 7<sup>TH</sup> Ave.

99204

Sunday September 1<sup>st</sup>

Dinner @ 4pm

Speaker @ 5pm

**Hosted by The Eyeopener**

Eyeopener meets at Our Club 7:00am every day no matter what!

# 2025 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

VANCOUVER, CANADA  
JULY 3-6, 2025

**Amazing Service  
Opportunities are coming!**



scan me!

Scan the QR code to  
join the mailing list & receive updates  
regarding volunteer opportunities  
with the  
**2025 International Volunteer  
Welcome Committee!**

email questions & inquiries to  
**2025icvolunteerwelcomeinfo@gmail.com**





# Summer Splash Celebration

## 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Sober Float on the Kootenai River

Bring your tubes, rafts, canoes or any inflatables, as well as your life vests, this is approximately a 3 hour trip, we will have lunch at the end of the float at Riverfront Park

**Where:** Osprey Point to Riverfront Park,  
Libby Montana

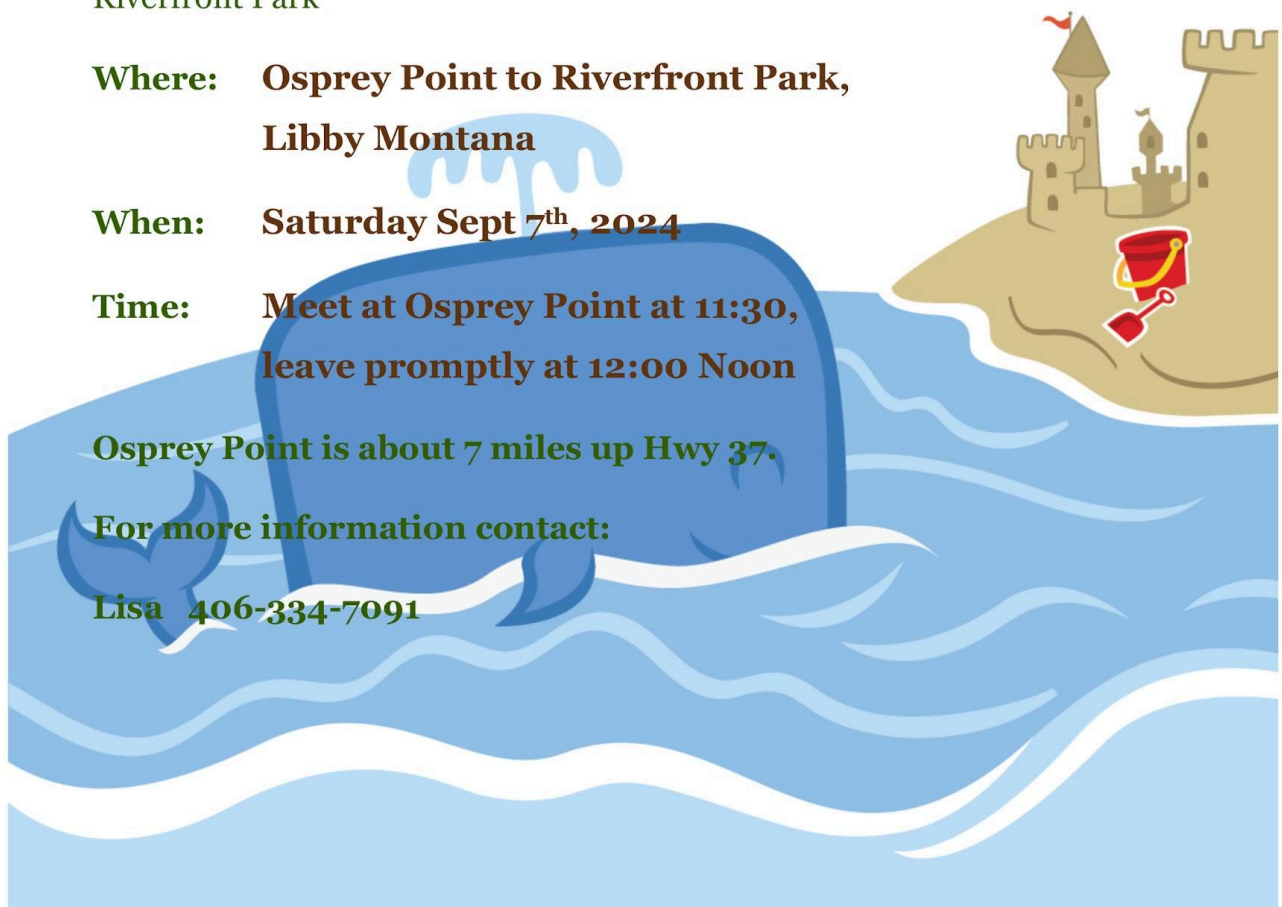
**When:** Saturday Sept 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** Meet at Osprey Point at 11:30,  
leave promptly at 12:00 Noon

Osprey Point is about 7 miles up Hwy 37.

For more information contact:

Lisa 406-334-7091



# SEPTEMBER STANDING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

**COME LEARN ABOUT COMMITTEE WORK  
AND THE DIFFERENT PAMPHLETS AND  
SERVICE MATERIALS AVAILABLE**

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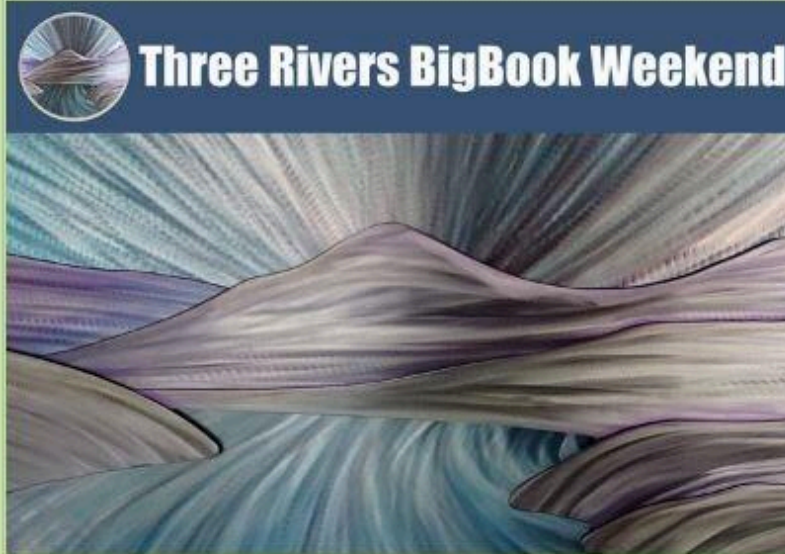
**SATURDAY 21, SEPTEMBER 2024**

10am to 3pm (Montana Time)  
186 Horseshoe Drive Libby, Montana  
at the Nazarene Church

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Please bring a potluck dish to share. The main  
entrée, coffee and water will be provided.  
Hosted by WSEA 92 Literature Chair and District  
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??Questions?? Contact Kim, DCM 26, 406-291-  
2328



# Three Rivers BigBook Weekend V

EASTERN WASHINGTON'S WOODSTOCK OF AA

September 27th -29th 2024 at the  
Riverfront Hotel and Convention Center  
50 Comstock Street, Richland Washington 99352

"WHERE THE RIVERS MEET"

*For Registration and Additional Information About this Event*

*Please Click on the Site Menu at the Top Left of this page.*

A BIGBOOK WEEKEND FOCUSING ON THE 12 STEPS

8 GUEST SPEAKERS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY

SATURDAY DINNER & SUNDAY SPIRITUAL BREAKFAST

Meals Provided by







Join us for a weekend journey through the  
12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous:  
Bringing women together through love,  
laughter and service.

*"...no middle-of-the-road solution."*

*Page 25, Alcoholics Anonymous*

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**SPEAKERS**

TBD

**SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL/PAJAMA PARTY/  
GAME NIGHT FREE TO ALL IN-PERSON  
REGISTRANTS**

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*Rose City Girlstock is a paid event which is self-supporting through your registrations. You must be registered to attend. No Seventh Tradition baskets are passed at any time during the event.*

**NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED**

**FREE COFFEE - REGISTRATION LIMITED TO 300 – REGISTER EARLY!!!**

**October 11th – 13th, 2024**

Go to [www.rosecitygirlstock.com](http://www.rosecitygirlstock.com) for  
online and hotel registration!

Holiday Inn Portland South (HIPS)  
25425 SW 95th Ave., Wilsonville, OR 97070  
503-682-2211

Book your room from our website

**\$124-\$134:** Special Room Rates for the HIPS (per  
night plus tax) for single or double beds.

***Offer expires September 20, 2024***

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**\$80:** In-Person Registration Only

**\$150:** In-Person Registration + Meals

(Meals include Saturday Night Dinner, Sunday  
Morning Breakfast)

***Vegetarian and Vegan Options will be provided***

**\$30:** Online Only Registration

*All prices above do not include processing fees*

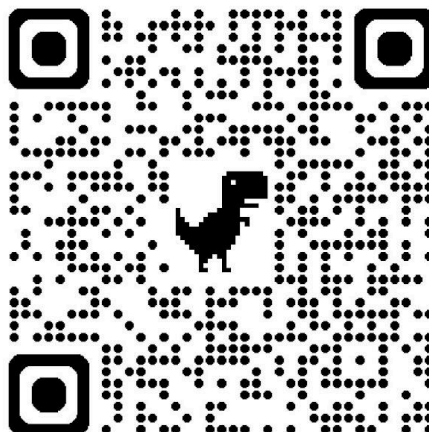
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**Registration Chair:** Janet B.; **Co-Chair:** Carolyn A.

**Email:** [rosecitygirlstock@gmail.com](mailto:rosecitygirlstock@gmail.com)

**RCGS Chair:** MiQuelle D.: 512-751-6996

**RCGS Co-Chair:** Mary C.: 503-706-2122





Washington State East  
**AREA 92**  
Alcoholics Anonymous

October 25, 26, 27  
2024

# Fall Inventory Assembly

## Coeur d'Alene Inn

506 W. Appleway Ave, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814  
Hosted by: District 8

Host Hotel	Other Nearby Hotels
Coeur d'Alene Inn – (208) 765-3200 506 W. Appleway Ave., CDA, ID 83814 \$130.00*	Comfort Inn – 208-664-2300 (\$139.00*) Motel 6 – 208-664-6600 (\$101.00*) Super 8 – 208-449-0149 (\$101.00*)
*Room Rates quoted do not include taxes..... Group Name for quoted rates: WSEA 92	
<b>ONE FORM PER PERSON</b> Name: _____ District _____ Position: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Address: _____ _____	Registration Fee – in person or zoom (\$55.00) ..... \$ _____  Friday Ice Cream Social (\$19.00*) ..... \$ _____ Saturday Lunch (deli sandwich & salad-\$28.00*) \$ _____ <b>PLEASE CHOOSE: Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> or Beef <input type="checkbox"/></b> Saturday Dinner (SW Fiesta Buffet-\$50.00*) ..... \$ _____ Beef Tamales, Fajitas, Taco Salad, Rice/Beans, Dessert Sunday Speaker Breakfast (\$25.00*) ..... \$ _____  TOTAL ..... \$ _____ (*20% gratuity & 6% sales tax is included in meal costs.)

**\*\*Every A.A. Group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions\*\***

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*Your reservation of rooms at the Coeur d'Alene Inn helps pay for this event. We look forward to seeing full participation in October. Thank You!*

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Please make your check payable to District 8 Host Committee

Mail your completed Registration to:

District 8 Host Committee, P.O. Box 2317, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

**Meal availability cannot be guaranteed for Registrations RECEIVED after October 18**

**Reserve your room early please! CDA Inn room block held until Sept. 25, 2024**

(Also, FYI – There is a soccer tournament in CDA this weekend. Reserve rooms early!)

### QUESTIONS:

Host Committee	Reservations:
Chairperson: Paula T. (208) 818-6044 Co-Chair: Sally A. (208) 691-8963	Reservation chair: Brenda Mc (208) 605-9110

## A.A. Corrections Contact Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender Identity \_\_\_\_\_  
(e.g. Male, Female, Non-binary)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nighttime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to:

Washington State East Area 92  
AA Corrections Bridge Program  
9116 E. Sprague Ave. #485  
Spokane, WA 99206-3601

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## A.A. CORRECTIONS PRERELEASE CONTACT INFORMATION

CONNECTING  
INSIDE A.A. MEMBERS  
TO THE OUTSIDE  
A.A. COMMUNITY

### Remember that:

- It is important that members formerly in custody attend their first A.A. meeting as soon as they are released.
- Our primary purpose is to carry the A.A. message.
- You are not responsible for the member's attitude or actions in or out of meetings.
- It is suggested that you do not loan money or anything of value, or become a personal taxi service.
- It is important to introduce the member formerly in custody to other A.A. members, just as you would any newcomer.
- We are not to act in any reporting or communication capacity regarding the A.A. member and the justice system.

### Suggested Reading

"Carrying the Message into Correctional Facilities"

"Where Do I Go From Here?"

*A.A. in Prison: A Message of Hope*

"A.A. in Correctional Facilities"

"It Sure Beats Sitting in a Cell"

"Behind the Walls: A Message of Hope"

"A Message to Corrections Professionals"



Dear A.A. member,

The A.A. Corrections Prerelease Contact Program connects the A.A. member being released from prison with Alcoholics Anonymous in their community.

When the soon-to-be-released A.A. member writes us, we match that person to a Prerelease Contact in their community. If you are interested in this form of service, we will call you, get the okay, and then send you the name of a contact.

Many A.A.s involved in this service stress the importance of getting the member formerly in custody to a meeting as soon as possible, usually within the first 48 hours after release.

During this time, you help them get acquainted, get phone numbers, perhaps locate a sponsor or home group, and become connected to the local A.A. community. You introduce the newly released member to others in A.A. so they have a broad, healthy base.

An A.A. member who is part of a correctional facilities volunteer program needs to be familiar with, and adhere to, rules that correctional facilities have regarding a volunteer's contact with inside members, both while they are in the facility and after they are released.

If you are willing to be the hand of A.A. when a person in custody reaches out for help, complete the attached A.A. Corrections Contact Form and mail it to the address given.

## **A.A. Corrections Prerelease Contact Procedures**

1. Inside A.A. members (those held in correctional facilities) are eligible for this program if they have less than six months to serve on their sentence.
2. The person in custody fills out the form and mails it to the Corrections Committee, which is responsible for processing and coordinating all Prerelease Contacts.
3. The outside A.A. writes to the inside A.A. member within two weeks. If the Prerelease Contact fails to make contact, the inside A.A. member should inform the Corrections committee. (Prerelease Contacts may, if they wish, use as their return address that of a local A.A. office.)
4. The inside A.A. member and the outside contact set up a meeting at the time of the member's release. The inside A.A. provides such information as their date of release, arrival time in the local area, and an address and phone number.
5. The Prerelease Contact will meet the newly released A.A. at an agreed upon time and place to help them adjust to attending their first meetings in the local community.
6. The Prerelease Contact and the newly released A.A. will, by working together, know when they both feel the time has come for the Prerelease Contact to move on to someone new.

## **Suggestions for the Prerelease Contact**

1. Contact the inside A.A. member by letter within two weeks of being matched and remain in touch with them as their release date approaches.
2. Try to take members formerly in custody to an A.A. meeting within 24 to 48 hours of their release.
3. It is suggested that the first meeting be viewed as a regular Twelfth Step call and that you take another A.A. member with you.
4. Share your experience, strength and hope with the newly released A.A., just as you would with any other person new to A.A. in your community.
5. Review the A.A. Correction Prerelease Contact Information with the member so that there are no misunderstandings.
6. Your job is finished after a sponsor has been found, or when you and the newly released member feel that the member is secure enough for you to move on.
7. Make sure the newly released A.A. receives meeting schedules, phone numbers, and A.A. literature.
8. Encourage newly released A.A.s to attend meetings as often as possible, to find a home group and, most important, to get a sponsor as soon as possible. Let them know that even a temporary sponsor who has time for them now would be acceptable.

# Area Newsletter Submission Guidelines

The Area 92 Newsletter- Published Monthly

The Newsletter is our primary mode of communication in Area 92 and relies on the submissions of each of us: Our DCM's, GSR's, Elected officers, Appointed Chairs and Delegates, Past and Present, as well as any member within Area 92.

Geographically Area 92 includes Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Western Montana and Hermiston Oregon.

**Submissions:** Any Member of A.A. may submit information, questions, reports, ideas or discussion points to the Editor. All Submissions are subject to editing for Grammar, sentence structure and spelling. Welcome's submissions in Docs or pdf's. Any opinions expressed herein are not endorsed nor approved by A.A. as a whole nor is any article or activity published by A.A. as a whole except when Conference approved literature is quoted or otherwise copyrighted by A.A.W.S.

**The Submission deadline is the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month at 5pm. Pacific Standard Time. Each submission should be approximately 250 words.**

**Submission Methods:** Email to [newsletter@area92aa.org](mailto:newsletter@area92aa.org) or US Mail to Address below

Area 92 Newsletter  
670 Swanson Mill Road  
Tonasket, WA 98855

This is the disclaimer and submission guidelines that will be found in each monthly Area Newsletter.

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- The Mailing Address has been changed.
- All forms of Mail Accepted, US Postal, FEDEX, UPS, DHL Etc.
- All entries and flyers should be clear and legible.
- Submission does not guarantee publication.

Thank you for your cooperation

Yours in Service!

Jacqueline C.

Newsletter Editor WSEA 92/Panel 74

